Fairfield University
Office of Financial Aid

Bridgeport Tuition Grant Application

Fairfield University is dedicated to the students of Bridgeport and to their future educational goals. In an effort to assist Bridgeport high school graduates with the costs of college, students may apply for a full **tuition** scholarship from Fairfield University.

A Bridgeport resident student whose annual family income is $70,000 or less, whose financial assets are at a reasonable level for such annual income and have met all application deadlines may apply for the tuition grant scholarship. Income derived from family businesses and/or other real estate may exclude a student's application. Students **must have also attended an eligible Bridgeport High School for all four years of high school**. Students will be subject to comply with all federal and institutional financial aid application policies.

All students requesting review for the Bridgeport Tuition Grant are also subject to the financial aid verification process.
Applications will NOT be reviewed until ALL documentation is received as indicated above.

****Please remember to adhere to all DEADLINES indicated on *page 3* of the application****

Section I: STUDENT INFORMATION- *PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY*

Student: Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____

Fairfield University ID Number or Social Security Number: _____

Address: _____ **Anticipated College Graduation Year:** _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Student Email Address: _____

Section II: STUDENT HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION- *PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY*

Name of High School Currently Attending: _____

Have you attended this high school for *all four years of high school?* ☐ Yes ☐ No

If NO, please provide a brief explanation. Include the name of any high school(s) previously attended.

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Section III: PARENT INFORMATION – *PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY*

The parent of record for divorced/separated/never married families is the parent that provided more than 50% of the student's financial support in the prior 12 months. The parent that provided more financial support may or may not be the parent the student lives with. Please read the following questions carefully.

Are your biological parents married OR unmarried and living together in the same household? ☐ Yes ☐ No

- If **yes**, please include both of your biological parents' information below as parent 1 and parent 2.
- If **no**, is your parent of record (see above definition) listed on the FAFSA remarried? ☐ Yes ☐ No
  - If **yes**, please provide information for your parent of record as parent 1 and stepparent as parent 2.
  - If **no**, please provide information for the parent of record listed on your FAFSA as parent 1, and your noncustodial parent* as parent 2. If parent 2 is deceased, please skip Parent 2 section.

Parent 1: Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____

Relationship to student – Please circle one: **Mother** **Father** **Stepparent**

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: (____)_____ **Email:** _____

Parent 1: Current Marital Status as of the FAFSA filing date? **Please check one:**

- ☐ *Married*
- ☐ *Never Married*
- ☐ *Widowed*
- ☐ *Divorced*
- ☐ *Separated*
- ☐ *Unmarried, living together with student's other biological parent*

Date that current marital status became effective: _____/_____
Month Year

PLEASE PROVIDE INFORMATION ON PARENT 2 (see above for clarification)

Parent 2: Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____

Relationship to student – Please circle one: **Mother** **Father** **Stepparent**

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: (____)_____**Email:** _____

* ***If the marital status of the Parent of Record, is Divorced, Separated, or Never Married,*** the student will be required to provide our office with the Noncustodial Parent Profile financial aid application, completed on CollegeBoard. Additional information and the application may be found online at https://cssprofile.collegeboard.org/info-divorced-separated-parents. The noncustodial parent is the parent that provided less than 50% of the student's financial support in the prior 12 months. If the parent of record is remarried, we do not need the Noncustodial Parent Profile. The deadline for the Noncustodial Parent Profile is ***January 15.***

** If you believe extenuating circumstances exist that prevent you from requesting your noncustodial parent to complete the Noncustodial Parent Profile, please contact the Office of Financial Aid at **finaid@fairfield.edu** or 203-254-4000 ext. 4125 by ***December 15*** for instructions.

Section IV: TAX INFORMATION

Did Parent 1 file a federal tax return for the tax year 2024? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Did Parent 2 file a federal tax return for the tax year 2024? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Did the stepparent file a federal tax return for the tax year 2024? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

NOTE: Any parent(s) listed on the Bridgeport Tuition Grant Application that did not file a 2024 federal income tax return must submit IRS Proof of Non-filing status. A ***Non-filer statement*** may be obtained online at https://www.irs.gov/individuals/get-transcript or by ordering the document using the IRS Form 4506-T which may be found online at https://www.irs.gov/forms-pubs/about-form-4506-t.

The form must be submitted to the Office of Financial Aid no later than February 1.

Section V: REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

Please use the following checklist to ensure that you have submitted all of the necessary forms by the required deadlines.

Failure to comply with deadlines or submitting an incomplete file will disqualify you from eligibility consideration. Please monitor the email address provided on this application should there be anything else we need or if we have questions.

REQUIRED	DEADLINE
☐ **FAFSA Application** (for the 2026-2027 year)	**January 15**
☐ **CSS Profile** (for the 2026-2027 year)	**January 15**
☐ **Noncustodial Parent Profile** (for the 2026-2027 year)	**January 15**
☐ **Bridgeport Tuition Grant Application**	**February 1**
☐ ***Signed*** **2024 Federal Income Tax Return** (including all schedules) for **ALL parents and student filers** listed on this application	**February 1**
☐ **2024 W2 Form(s)** for **ALL parents and the student** listed on this application	**February 1**
☐ **2026-2027 Dependent Verification Worksheet**	**February 1**

*Please note, all 2026-2027 verification forms are available on our website: *www.fairfield.edu/finaid*

Section VI: CERTIFICATION

By signing this application,

- We affirm the data contained on the application and on all attached supporting documentation is true and complete to the best of our knowledge.
- We acknowledge that submission of this application does not guarantee an adjustment to the student's award.
- We will provide all required documents, as requested, to the Office of Financial Aid and understand that my file will not be processed until all documents are submitted by the state deadlines.
- We acknowledge that a student's award estimate is subject to change.
- We understand that if awarded the Bridgeport Tuition Grant, it will cover the cost of **tuition only** for up to eight consecutive undergraduate fall and spring semesters provided the student is meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards. The student is responsible for all other expenses incurred, including any applicable admission deposit.
- We recognize that the submission of this application does not prevent the accrual of late fees on unpaid balances.
- We will arrange to pay our bill on time and will not wait for the outcome of this application. Bills are due by August 1 for the fall semester, and December 31 for the spring semester.

Please print, sign, and submit this form, and include all supporting documentation, to Fairfield University's Office of Financial Aid no later than February 1. PLEASE DO NOT SIGN THIS FORM ELECTRONICALLY.

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

PARENT OF RECORD SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Students that have applied for and are receiving the Bridgeport Tuition Grant are required to adhere to Fairfield University's financial aid awarding policies. Fairfield University reserves the right to request additional documentation as needed to determine initial or renewal eligibility. The award is for up to eight consecutive undergraduate fall and spring semesters only. Renewal eligibility will be based on meeting various other financial aid eligibility requirements, such as Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP).

If you have ANY questions about this application, required documentation, or your ability to complete and supply Fairfield University with the requested applications and/or documentation, please contact the Office of Financial Aid IMMEDIATELY for assistance.

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